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The Alexandria Gazette

Already read by three generations, now enters into its SEVENTY-NINTH VOLUME.

Few newspapers in the country have lived so long; nowhere enjoyed more the confidence of the people.

The GAZETTE will put forth its utmost endeavor to continue a model newspaper, and its success during this entire century in catering to the wants and meeting the wishes of the people, guarantees that with this paper promise means performance.

Washington is now the point to which all eyes look and all ears are directed. Almost at the base of the Capital, and yet in a Virginia town, amid a community which has proved its faithfulness to Virginia in more than one fiery trial; surrounded by the traditions and hopes of the Commonwealth, the Gazette has a position unique among journals and promises to continue worthy of it. Its contiguity to Washington gives it an early precedence over all the journals of the State in intelligence of the operations of the General Government, now of such vital importance to the people. The proceedings of Congress will be regularly reported in succinct form for its columns, but all matters of special interest to Virginia will be given in detail. Two gentlemen connected with the paper are constantly at the Federal capital, and the Washington news of the Gazette has for a long time been the fountain of Washington news for the State.

As the interests of the people mainly centre at home, no pains will be spared to chronicle all matters occurring in the city and neighborhood, carefully excluding unseasonable expressions or gross narrative as unfit for a journal that is treasured at many thousand hearthstones of Virginia. From the State Capital it will receive early and accurate accounts of the proceedings of the General Assembly and of all the operations of the State government likely to interest the people. Especial attention will be devoted to presenting, as well from original sources of information as from its exchanges, the news of Virginia. Concisely and completely it will give the news of the world.

In its Commercial columns the special feature will be promptness and accuracy. The farmers, drovers and commercial people of the State know they MAY DEPEND upon the Gazette.

Early and reliable reports of the Grain, Cattle, Grocery and other markets will be furnished, and the prices and position of the stocks, which are the subjects of business transactions in this section of the country, carefully quoted.

The continual favors of those who have once used the Gazette as an advertising medium is a warrant for saying that it pays to advertise in its columns.

During all this period its prominent object has been to advance the interests of the people of whose life it is the daily chronicle. Its fortunes have been their fortunes; it has shared their prosperity and suffered in their disasters. Its inspiration has been the desire to forward the best interests of the community in which it is located, and its own prosperity is, as it has been purposely made, inseparable from that of the community it aims to represent. When they grow rich it hopes for a reward commensurate with its labors. While they are poor it expects to work with them and for them, expecting to make their success the measure of its own.

RATES OF SUBSCRIPTION.
DAILY—One year \$5; six months \$3; three months \$1.50; one month 60c.
THU—Weekly—One year \$5; six months \$2.50; three months \$1.25.

GROCERIES AND LIQUORS.

NOTICE.
I have resumed my PORK PACKING business, and will be prepared to furnish families with all kinds of CHOICE MEATS, all of my own manufacture, viz:
SAUSAGE MEAT,
SMOKED SAUSAGE,
MINCE MEAT,
SPARE RIBS,
CHINESE PIECES,
JOWLS,
HOCKEY HEADS,
HAMS,
SHOULDER,
BREADED PIECES,
HEAD CHEESE and
PURE LARD, put up expressly for family use in small packages, together with a good and choice lot of FAMILY GROCERIES and PROVISIONS of all kinds. We have just received a lot of choice MACKEREL, Nos. 1, 2 and 3, in 1/2's, half bbls and kits.
SAML. J. REED,
Nov 9. No. 74 S. Fairfax st., Alexandria.

J. BROTHERS & CO.,
Wholesale Dealers and Jobbers in GROCERIES, PROVISIONS, FLOUR, SALT AND FISH.
A full line of celebrated pure, old Whiskies, Brandies, Gin, Rum, &c. Massey & Co.'s Philadelphia and Clagett's Baltimore Ales, and Bergner & Engel's Lager Beer, in cases or bottles. Agents for James S. Welch's Best Family Flour, James S. Kirk & Co.'s Standard Soap, Dupont & Co.'s Sporting and Blasting Gunpowder, and Baltimore and Potomac River Steamers.
Orders promptly attended to, and consignments solicited.
No. 11 King street, Alexandria, Va.

W. A. JOHNSON,
Wholesale and Retail GROCER & COMMISSION MERCHANT, AND DEALER IN ALL KINDS OF LIQUORS.
Also Agent for Arlington Brewery and Laland & Brand's Powder Co.
Consignments of Grain, Flour and all kinds of Country Produce solicited. Liberal advances made on consignments in store.
No. 8 E. cor. Cam. and Royal sts.

G. GEORGE R. HILL & CO'S.
CAREFUL MANUFACTURERS.
OUR NEW GOODS.
ALMOND—Fancy Nut Flavored.
COCONUT—Rich Fine Drop Top Coated.
PRESIDENT—Lead Drop, bright flavor.
PRINCESS—Lead Sheet, soft oblong.
SEASIDE—For light summer luncheon.
TOURIST—Sweet Hard Biscuit, figured top.
BISMARCK—German Biscuit, Caraway flavor.
SARATOGA—Crimp edge, Mace flavor.
These fancy goods are furnished the trade in assorted or straight packages, attractively put up for retail. They are not kept in stock. No tin cans used, consequently they are always fresh and in high favor. We respectfully solicit an examination of these goods.
GEORGE R. HILL & CO.,
my 19 Alexandria, Va.

R. W. AVERY,
Dealer in CHOICE FAMILY AND FANCY GROCERIES, WINE LIQUORS, &c., &c.,
225 King st., cor. Alfred, ALEXANDRIA, VA.

NEW STORE! NEW GOODS! NEW PRICES!
The subscriber respectfully announces that he has taken the store
NO. 147 KING STREET,
and is prepared to offer a full and carefully selected stock of
FINE FAMILY GROCERIES
at prices which cannot fail to please. Goods delivered promptly to all parts of the city, and satisfaction guaranteed in every particular. An inspection of stock solicited.
my 6-11 F. J. DAVIDSON.

G. GEORGE R. HILL & CO.,
Dealers in CHOICE FAMILY AND FANCY GROCERIES, WINE LIQUORS, &c., &c.,
225 King st., cor. Alfred, ALEXANDRIA, VA.

G. WM. RAMSAY,
WHOLESALE AND FAMILY GROCER
—AND—
FEA DEALER
S. E. COR. KING AND ST. ASAPH STS.
nov 22-11 Alexandria, Va.

HOUSE FURNISHING GOODS.
E. J. MILLER & CO.,
DEALERS IN
CHINA, GLASS AND QUEENSWARE,
65 King street, Alexandria,
Respectfully call the attention of the trade to their large and splendid selection of
CHINA, GLASSWARE, &c.,
which they offer for sale at the
LOWEST RATES.

They also have in store a large assortment of LAMPS OF ALL KINDS, including all the latest patents and designs. A call is solicited. Orders from the country promptly filled.
nov 23
DONALD McLEAN. GEO. UHLER.
McLEAN & UHLER,
(Successors to A. H. Nott & Bro.,)
DEALERS IN
HOUSEFURNISHING GOODS, CUTLERY, PLATED, FLAUNISHED STAMPED, JAPANESE, TIN, WOOD AND WILLOW WARE,
(of every description.)
107 King street, Alexandria, Va.
N. B.—All orders from the country promptly filled.
ap 2-11

PAPER HANGINGS
AND
INTERIOR DECORATIONS
FOR 1877.
New and Beautiful Gold, Silver, Mica, Embossed, Plain, Fresco, Marble and Wood Imitations.
New styles of Paper Hangings and Fresco Imitations for ceilings and side walls of private houses, public halls and churches, selected with great care from the best manufacturers.
My experience for many years in this business enables me to give satisfaction and sell low.
JOHN P. CLARK,
ap 19 No. 155 King street.

FOR SALE.
500 pounds Old Newspapers.
AT THIS OFFICE.
sep 6-11
AN ELEGANT BRASS CAGE for \$1.00 at
Mc EAN & UHLER'S.
dec 11

COMMISSION MERCHANTS.

GROCERY AND COMMISSION HOUSE.
The Grocery and Commission business formerly conducted by Kelly & Carter, at No. 2 Cameron street, will be continued by the new firm of KELLY & CARR.
FIRST CLASS GROCERIES and in quantities to suit purchasers.
Consignments of GRAIN and COUNTRY PRODUCE disposed of to the best advantage.
J. FRANK KELLY.
J. W. CARR.
All persons indebted to the old firm will please settle immediately.
nov 14-11 J. FRANK KELLY.

I WOULD INFORM MY FRIENDS AND the public generally that I have this day made a business connection with the well known firm of HARLOW BROS., Grocers, Liquor, Feed and General Commission Merchants, N. W. corner Cameron and Royal streets, and would solicit a share of their patronage.
F. G. SWAINE.
sep 29-11

HARLOW BROS.,
GROCERS, LIQUOR, FEED, AND COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
N. W. COR. CAMERON AND ROYAL STS.
Liberal advances made on all consignments in store.
sep 29-11
THOMAS PERRY, Agent.

GENERAL
COMMISSION MERCHANT,
No. 17 King street,
ALEXANDRIA, VA.

Agent for the sale of
ISAAC WENGER'S
CELEBRATED FAMILY FLOUR.

jan 16-11
PHILIP B. HOOE,

NO. 2 PRINCE STREET
GENERAL
COMMISSION AND SHIPPING MERCHANT
Dealer in all kinds of FERTILIZERS, SALT AND PLASTER
Agent of the
LIVERPOOL & LONDON & GLOBE INSURANCE COMPANY.
feb 5-11

J. C. & E. MILBURN,
Wholesale and Retail GROCERS & COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
No. 19 N. Royal st., cor. Market Space, Alexandria, Virginia.

Orders and consignments solicited. They will receive careful and prompt attention.
my 2
R. B. LAWSON & CO.,

[Successors to R. M. Lawson,]
GROCERS AND LIQUOR MERCHANTS
No. 67 Cameron street,
ALEXANDRIA, VA.

W. A. JOHNSON,
R. J. WASHINGTON
WASHINGTON, D. C.
COMMISSION MERCHANTS
NO. 30 UNION STREET,
ALEXANDRIA, VA.

Consignments of Grain, Merchandise and all kinds of Country Produce solicited. Special attention given to all business entrusted to them. Prompt returns made.
ap 24
W. A. SMOOT,
DEALER IN
COAL, SALT & PLASTER
FOOT OF PRINCESS ST.,
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA.
feb 21-11

DRY GOODS.
MORE NEW GOODS FOR DECEMBER
SALES
Tuesday, December 18, 1877.
Dressing Gowns, Cloaks to-day, choice Dress Goods at low prices, beautiful Calicoes, new styles; Blankets and Flannels, a choice stock; Ladies' Neckties, very pretty.
Our sales to country merchants larger than ever before, and our stock full and complete and well adapted to their wants. Prices as low as Baltimore quotations.
D. F. BRASHEAR,
H. B. HOOE,
No. 109 King street,
ALEXANDRIA, VA.
dec 18

FOR THE HOLIDAYS.
HEADQUARTERS
—FOR—
HOLIDAY GOODS.
Let all remember that
MRS. S. K. SNIDER
Had the largest and most select stock of
CHRISTMAS GOODS
in the city last year, and her stock this year is a great improvement over last. She also has a large assortment of beautiful and cheap Lamps, and every variety of Housefurnishing Goods. All are invited to call at No. 6 south Fairfax street, Alexandria, Va., and examine for themselves.
dec 12
H. B. HOOE, No. 109 King street, Alexandria, Va.

TOYS! TOYS!
LARGEST ASSORTMENT IN THE CITY
Also a full line of
CONFECTIONERY.
TH. GERHARD,
nov 30-11 10 North Royal street

CANARY SEED!
CANARY SEED
10 cents per pound at
WARFIELD & HALL'S,
cor. Prince and Fairfax sts.
dec 11
CHENILLE and QUILLD SATIN RIBBONS, for trimmings, at
FERGUSON & BROS.,
jan 5 50 King street.

CONSTANTLY ON HAND FRESH COUNTRY BUTTER, EGGS AND DRESSED POULTRY at
W. A. JOHNSON'S.
dec 21

IT IS VERY POOR ECONOMY TO waste your money buying trash when you can get good goods at reasonable prices at
WADDEY'S, 110 King st., Alex., Va.
dec 11

POND LILY WASH, a most delightful preparation for the toilet and bath. In large bottles at 25c each.
JANNEY & CO., 145 King st.
dec 13

THE FAMOUS BRBEVILL FIGS in layers, fine Turkish do. in 5 lb boxes, and best Flame do. in 3 lb boxes, just received.
dec 11
GEO. McBURNEY & SON.

PRIME FIGS AND PRUNES in small packages, just received.
dec 13
G. W. RAMSAY.

PRIME BUCKWHEAT FLOUR for sale at
dec 18
J. C. & E. MILBURN'S.

FANCY GOODS.

J. FERGUSON & BROTHER

We have opened our stock of GOODS FOR THE FALL SEASON, consisting in part of—
Ladies', Gents' and Children's Merino Underwear and Hosiery.
Dress Trimmings, in Silk and Worsted Fringes, Galloons, Buttons, &c.
Toilet Articles—Hair, Tooth and Nail Brushes, Neck Puffs, Side and Hair Combs, Soaps and Perfumery.
Ladies' Collars, Cuffs, Ruchings, Ruffings, Ties, Lace Scarfs, Linen and Silk Handkerchiefs and Kid Gloves.
Worsted, Germantown Wool, Shetland Wool and Floss, Saxony and German Knitting Yarns, in all colors, and Embroidery Canvases.
HOOP SKIRTS & BUSTLES.
All styles on hand and made to order at short notice.
We have also a large stock of Hair Braids, Curls, Puffs, &c., to which we invite your attention.
FERGUSON & BROS.,
oct 3 96 King street.

NOTICE.
I have just returned from the North with a full line of the following goods: Ladies' and Children's Hosiery from 12 1/2 to 50c a pair; Kid Gloves from 75c to \$1.75 per pair; Handkerchiefs at all prices; Zephyr Worsted, white 10c, colored 14c per oz; Ladies' Embroidered Collars 15c; a large line of Lace Collars for children; Corsets from 50c up; Yarn, Navy Blue, Seal, Brown, and all the plain colors; Merino Vests and Pants of all sizes; Card Board Pocket Books; Steel Pens, new style; Lace and Silk Scarfs; Crepe Laces; all kinds of Ruffing very low; Buttons, Fringes and Black Velvet on the bias; also Velvet Ribbons and everything in my line as low as can be sold in this or any other city. Call and see for yourselves at
C. C. BERRY'S, 72 King st.
Agent for SINGER'S SEWING MACHINES.
sep 24

C. M. ADAMS,
DEALER IN
Ladies' & Gents' Furn'g. Goods.

LADIES' DEPARTMENT.
Kid Gloves, Hosiery, Underwear, Corsets, Scarfs, Collars and Cuffs, Handkerchiefs, &c.
GENTS' DEPARTMENT.
Kid Gloves, Collars and Cuffs, Hosiery, Shirts, Handkerchiefs, Underwear, Scarfs, Ties and Bowties, &c.
NOTION DEPARTMENT.
Cotton, Pins, Needles, Thread, Buttons, Edgings, Zephyr Worsted, Shetland Wool, Germantown Wool, Saxony Yarns, &c.
nov 8 C. M. ADAMS, No. 92 King st.

ICE CREAM, &c.
NOTICE OF REMOVAL.
I wish to notify my friends and the public generally that I have moved from my place of business on King street to No. 16 N. St. Asaph street, where I will receive orders for
ICE CREAM,
and supply families at the following low prices:
Ice Cream.....\$1.20 per gallon
Custard.....1.00 per gallon
Water Ice.....1.00 per gallon
I will keep always on hand a variety of Philadelphia Fancies, Bon-bons, Cream work of all flavors and common confections, Apples, Oranges, Lemons, &c. Also a Milk Depot where fresh milk can be had at all times.
J. S. FORCE,
nov 22-2m No. 16 N. St. Asaph st.

EDUCATIONAL.
ELUCUTION AND THE FRENCH LANGUAGE.
Mr. J. J. DAVIDSON,
late of the Virginia and Washington and Lee Universities, will be happy to receive gentlemen and ladies, youths and adults, who may desire complete instruction in ELUCUTION AND THE FRENCH LANGUAGE. Terms very moderate. Address 47 Fairfax st., Alexandria.
nov 19-11

MEDICINAL.
BUTLER'S BALSMIC MIXTURE, FOR
FORTY YEARS KNOWN AS THE INFALLIBLE REMEDY.
Price one dollar per bottle. feb 20-11

ARE YOU TROUBLED With Biliousness, Sick Headache, Vertigo, Constipation, Dyspepsia, etc., are you dull and languid, feeling aversion to any exertion? If so cleanse the system; purify and renew the blood; take QUIN'S IRISH TEA, the great and cheap remedy; it will relieve you. Sold by Druggists; 25 cent per package, each making a quart of medicine.
dec 27

YOUNG PEOPLE. Do pay attention to your teeth. Neglect will soon ruin them. Clean them daily with THURSTON'S IVORY PEARL TOOTH POWDER, the most perfect dentrifice known. It will keep them through life white and sound; will harden the gums, sweeten the breath, and prevent toothache. Sold by all druggists; 25 cents per bottle. dec 27

JOUVEN'S INODOROUS KID GLOVE
CLEANER will quickly renovate soiled gloves; 25 cents per bottle. dec 27

PIANOS AND ORGANS.
From the most celebrated factories, for sale and repair on the most reasonable terms. Tuning and repairing promptly attended to by experienced men at
C. REICHENBACH'S
PIANO WAREHOUSES,
421 Eleventh st., a few doors above Penna ave.
Washington, D. C.
Sole Agency for District of Columbia and Alexandria, Va., of the celebrated KNABE & CO'S, and McCAMMON'S favorite PIANOS.
ly 16-11

SKATES, in great variety, wholesale and Retail, at 88 King street, on the corner of Royal street. Call and see. MOUNTED DEER AND CENTRAL BACKET Saws—Extra Saw Blades by the dozen or gross and other Tools for amateur workmen—nice presents for Christmas.
dec 12 J. T. CREIGHTON & SON.

AMONG OUR NEW FALL AND WINTER stock of Boots and Shoes we have some new styles for ladies' wear, which are really beautiful. Ladies who have any desire to present a handsome understanding will do well to examine them at WADDEY'S NEW STORE, 110 King st.
dec 12

THE MOST USEFUL AS WELL AS ornamental article for ladies' wear is a pair of handsome fitting BOOTS. They can be had at WADDEY'S, 110 King st. They are beautiful durable and cheap.
dec 12

RAISINS AND FRESH NUTS of all kind received this day and for sale at lowest prices by
dec 25 F. J. DAVIDSON.

CHOICE SUGAR CURED HAMS AND SHOULDERS received and for sale low by
dec 28 F. J. DAVIDSON, 147 King street.

RAISINS—EVERY VARIETY—in full supply, at remarkably low prices.
dec 7 F. J. DAVIDSON, 147 King street.

LARGEST BEST AND CHEAPEST STOCK OF LADIES' BOOTS in the city at 110 King street.
nov 27 WADDEY.

CURRENT JELLY—A choice article received this day and for sale low by the lb.
dec 13 R. W. AVERY, 228 King st.

POCKET KNIVES AND TABLE CUTLERY at
dec 12 McLEAN & UHLER'S, 107 King street.

BOOTS AND SHOES.

W. B. WADDEY,

DEALER IN
BOOTS & SHOES

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.
110 King st., Alexandria, Va.

The subscriber has now on hand one of the largest and best selected stocks of goods in his line ever offered in this market, which he can afford to sell at prices to suit the times. His names in part:

LADIES', MISSES' BOYS AND CHILDREN'S

BOOTS & SHOES
of fine and coarse work, of superior quality to any ever before offered for sale in this market, manufactured from the best material, and in the most durable and stylish manner, comprising a great variety of new and handsome styles.

Also a large stock of
BOOTS, SHOES & BROGANS

SUITABLE FOR THE COUNTRY TRADE,
to which he invites the special attention of country merchants and farmers.
All in want will do well to call before purchasing elsewhere.

W. B. WADDEY,
110 KING STREET,
ALEXANDRIA, VA.
sep 11

FISH, OYSTERS, &c.
WM. H. SMITH. SAM'L SMITH.
WILLIAM H. SMITH & CO.,
Dealers in

PRODUCE, FISH AND OYSTERS.
Nos. 18 N. Fairfax st. and 43 King street, Alexandria, Virginia.

Having completed our arrangements for the Produce, Oyster and Fish business, we are now prepared to furnish the trade with anything in our line at prices to suit.

We will also receive fresh SALT WATER FISH three times a week, which will be offered for sale at stall No. 3, City Market, by Mr. J. G. GRIMES. Orders will receive our special attention.
aug 1

WOOD AND COAL.
COAL! **COAL!**

On my wharf and to arrive during the season a full stock of
ANTHRAHITE,
CUMBERLAND and
WEST VIRGINIA COALS
of best quality,
and well screened. I will be pleased to supply my friends and customers at lowest market price. Delivered at houses, cars or boats, per ton of 2240 lbs.
W. A. SMOOT.
per 7
COAL! COAL!

For good CLEAN COAL go to T. J. McHARRY & CO'S, wharf and yard foot of Queen street.
sep 8

FINANCIAL.
BURKE & HERBERT
Dealers in
GOLD, GOVERNMENT BONDS, LOCAL STOCKS, AND ALL FIRST-CLASS RAILROAD BONDS and other good investment securities.
Also, for sale
ALEXANDRIA CITY AND VIRGINIA COUPONS receivable for taxes.
ALEXANDRIA CORPORATION SIX PER CENT BONDS.
Any information in regard to investment cheerfully given.
my 21

JNO. A. FIELD,
Wholesale and Retail Dealer in
Smoking and Chewing Tobacco,
CIGARS, PIPES, &c.

Flood's, Bob White, Winfree & Lloyd's, Prince of Virginia, Hawatha and other brands at factory prices. Always keeps a large stock in store. Call and see him, at No. 71 King st., before you buy elsewhere.
feb 10

TO THE TRADE.
JOHN A. FIELD,
71 King street,
Is Agent for ALLEN & CO'S RICHMOND GEM CIGARETTES and other goods; also McLENNAN'S and SON'S HERB DE LA REIM CIGARETTES. Will sell them at FACTORY PRICES. Call in and see for yourself.
ap 22

GENUINE RODGERS' SCISSORS, four pairs of assorted size, in a Morocco case, a nice Christmas Present. Call and examine at 88 King street, corner of Royal.
dec 19 J. T. CREIGHTON & SON.

ANOTHER LOT OF ENGLISH PLUM PUDDING just received. This is undoubtedly the very best for the season.
GEO. McBURNEY & SON,
dec 11 166 and 170 King street.

POROUS PLASTER!
POROUS PLASTER!
15 and 20 cents at WARFIELD & HALL'S corner Prince and Fairfax sts.
dec 11

TEAS AND COFFEES, a full line of all kinds and qualities received this day and for sale at very low prices by
F. J. DAVIDSON,
dec 7 147 King street.

SAUSAGE CUTTER AND STUFFERS in great variety, at lower prices than ever before offered. Call and see at 88 King street, corner of Royal.
nov 20 J. T. CREIGHTON & SON.

TURKIES AND EGGS, fresh, English Plum Pudding, Cranberries, Cooking and best London Layer Raisins, Currants, Citron and other fine Groceries for Christmas, at lowest rates.
[dec 24] J. C. & E. MILBURN.

AN ADDITIONAL SUPPLY OF FRESH NUTS, Citron, Raisins, &c., to meet the demand caused by quick sales at low prices, received this day by
F. J. DAVIDSON,
dec 21 147 King street.

CANNED GOODS—Canned Strawberries, Peaches, Sliced Peas, Pineapple and the celebrated Mitchell brand Tomatoes, for sale by
J. C. & E. MILBURN.
jan 5

GENTS' FINE BOOTS AND SHOES a specialty, small expenses a novelty, lowest prices a reality, is what we can prove at
WADDEY'S, 110 King street.
jan 5

WIRE STANDS, suitable for trimmings, Watch, Jewelry and Hair Pin Receivers, another supply just received by
FERGUSON & BROS.,
jan 5 96 King street.

IMPORTED OLD CREAM just received by
dec 21 E. S. LEADBEATER & BRO.

Alexandria Gazette

FRIDAY EVENING, JANUARY 11.

The Governor's Reception.

Society has had her fair hands full this week, for she has stepped beyond her usual sphere of action—"called for a new deal!"—and taken gubernatorial affairs under her special patronage in a manner so far unprecedented in the history of the State. And who shall say that she has not thrown a potent spell and lent an added charm and prestige to the public demonstration made in honor of Governor Holliday? Parades, speeches, musketry, big guns and shouts of public acclamation, are all good things in their way and have fittingly taken the lead on this occasion, in rendering tribute to one whom all were ready to honor. But, when the fairest daughters of Virginia came from far and near to meet and greet the new Chief Magistrate upon his yet untrodden path, it was an eloquent and unexpected testimonial, a graceful compliment to worth and valor, which, if we judge right, the gallant Valley Virginian will not value as the least among the laurels of the day. The inaugural ceremonies were by far the most elaborate and imposing ever known in Richmond, and the reception held at the executive mansion, from 8 to 11 p. m., on New Year's evening, was a most brilliant affair—a noticeable feature of the evening was the prevailing sobriety, decorum and dignity of the many guests—for New Year's night is not the soberest time of all the year, and it is a creditable fact that in response to an invitation extended to the entire community there should have been nothing discredit in the conduct of any one present.

The resident ladies invited to act as a committee of reception, in concert with the ladies from a distance, were Mrs. W. Russell Robinson, Mrs. John Dunlop, Mrs. Bradley T. Johnson, Mrs. Edgar Garnett, Mrs. James R. Branch, Mrs. Alexander Cameron, Mrs. Philip Haxall, Mrs. James H. Dooley, and Madame De Sibourg. The ladies visiting the city as special guests of Governor Holliday were Mrs. General Meem, Mrs. Captain Meem, Mrs. William Baker, and Mrs. General Echols. But Mrs. Mason, the sister of the new Governor, was par excellence the mistress of the evening, and gracefully shared the honors of the evening with the brilliant galaxy of company, who were ready to assist her in the position of hostess. Among the distinguished guests present we observed Dr. Hoge, Dr. Peterkin and other members of the clergy—Judge and Mrs. Meredith, General and Mrs. W. H. F. Lee, Mrs. Wirt Robinson, General Hoth, General Wickham, Colonel Thomas Carter, Dr. and Miss Barksdale, and many others whom it is impossible to mention. The halls and parlors were brilliantly illuminated and decorated with flowers and appropriate banners, &c., &c. The music flowed in graceful accompaniment to the other attractions of the evening, and nothing was wanting to complete the ovation so heartily offered to the new incumbent of the Executive Mansion.—Richmond Sunday Transcript.

A SNIPER A MINUTE.—The New Orleans Picayune prints the following:
"The greatest shooting exploit ever performed in this country was recently achieved by a gentleman long a resident of this State, and the owner of some of the largest plantations, sugar and cotton. For years past the exploits of this gentleman have been regarded with the highest admiration and wonder in all sporting circles. Lending out his splendid sugar estates on the Tchabe, he has received the privilege of occupying a shooting box, which he calls his 'sniper,' where he spends every year a month or so, to enjoy without disturbance his favorite amusement of shooting this fine and agile bird, which abounds on his own and the adjoining plantations. The results of his sport and skill in past years have been frequently referred to as wonderful. To bag 300 snipe—on the wing, of course—a day has been a common achievement—common for him, but never accomplished by any other sportsman. In his last enterprise, however, he surpassed his previous exploits by bagging six successive days to this sport. The result was a bag of 1,960 snipe. Allowing six hours per day to the hunt, this would give a snipe a minute, which is about equal to the hog killing operations of the great slaughter houses of Chicago. Besides the pleasure and pride of such an achievement, which was the peerage of the gentleman by whom it was performed, when we met him yesterday on our streets, attests the happy effects upon his physical condition of the exercise and excitement of his Nimrodian enterprise. He will return to his enjoyment of the luxuries and pleasures of his family residence at Biaritz, France, with a keen and invigorated relish and capacity of enjoyment."

Mr. Perrett, a reformed drunkard of Orange county, New York, was invited to take part in the play entitled, "Ten Nights in a Bar Room," and was so forcibly reminded of old times by the counterfeited presentment that he couldn't resist the temptation to go off and get drunk.

I propose closing out my stock of SHEET MUSIC, and now offer it AT ONE THIRD THE REGULAR PRICE. It consists mainly of choice Standard Music, suitable for Parlor, Concert or School Room, Vocal and Instrumental.

Any music not in store will be ordered, and a deduction of one-fifth will be made from publisher's prices.
dec 17-1011m JOHN H. PARROTT.

BANK OF THE OLD DOMINION.
Alexandria, Va., Dec. 22, 1877.
The annual election for Directors of this bank will be held at the banking house of the Citizens' National Bank on TUESDAY, the 8th day of January 1878, between the hours of 11 and 12 o'clock.
WM. H. LAMBERT, Cashier.
dec 22-1011m

CITIZENS' NATIONAL BANK.
Alexandria, Va., Dec. 27, 1877.
The Board of Directors have declared a cash dividend of one dollar and fifty cents per share, payable on and after THURSDAY, January 10th, 1878.
WM. H. LAMBERT, Cashier.
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